

As a subscriber to XM satellite radio I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kind of programming that I demand and deserve.

I travel by car through many cities for business and find the addition of traffic and weather channels on XM to be of invaluable assistance in planning my route to avoid delays and traffic realated problems that I would not be aware of without the benefit of the XM broadcast.

I have chosen to subscribe to satellite radio based on the variety and clarity of the signal. Unfortunately local broadcasters do not provide the information I require or the entertainment choices that XM does. XM affords me the oppurtunity to listen to the same channel for several hours while traveling and the chance to know what to expect for weather and traffic while still at a great distance from my destination beyond the reach of normal radio signals. XM also affords me the oppurtunity to listen to news and talk programing that is informative and useful to me without the interruption of commercials.

I pay for these services voluntarily and it should not be up to the National Association of Broadcasters to dictate what I'am permitted to hear.

Respectfully,

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